By 1793, ch. 58, certificates granted by the commissioners to purchasers of lots in the said city, with acknowledgment of the payment of the whole purchase money, and recorded agreeably to the directions of this act, shall be sufficient to vest the legal estate, without any deed or formal conveyance-

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That acknowledgments of deeds Acknowmade before a person in the manner and certified as the laws of ledgments to be this state direct, or made before, and certified by, either of the effectual, commissioners, shall be effectual; and that no deed hereafter to be made of or for lands within that part of the said territory which lies within this state, shall operate as a legal conveyance. nor shall any lease for more than seven years be effectual, unless the deed shall have been acknowledged as aforesaid, and delivered to the said clerk to be recorded within six calendar months from the date thereof.

By November, 1792, ch. 59, deeds so recorded shall be as valid as if also recorded in the manner prescribed by law before the passage of this act.

The residue of the law was composed of police regulations, a knowledge of which, since the assumption of jurisdiction by the federal government, would be now of no practical benefit.

CHAPTER 63.

An Acr respecting the fees of the Attorney-General and his deputies on execution in certain cases.

WHEREAS it is unreasonable that the attorney-general and Preamble. his deputies should receive fees for executions issued in criminal cases, when no fees are allowed to attorneys for executions issued in civil cases;

SEC. 2. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, No fees to That no fees shall be charged or received, after the passing of be charged, this act, by the attorney-general, or any of his deputies, for any execution to be issued against any person, or his securities, for any fine imposed, or to be imposed, by any court of this state, or the costs on the prosecution.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That all such parts of an act, Parts of an entitled, an act for the more speedy and effectual recovery of actrepealed common law fines and forfeited recognizances, as give fees to *Feb. 1777, the attorney-general, or his deputies, in the cases aforesaid, shall be and are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 65.

An additional Supplement to the act,* entitled, an act to regulate Public "Nov. 1781.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen whether the several county Preamble. courts of this state have power to contract for the keeping of such ferries as they may think necessary, at the county expense;

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